

MISSOURI CAFO RULE WORKGROUP

December 4, 2007

RE: Missouri CAFO Workgroup

The department has scheduled the second meeting of the Missouri CAFO Workgroup at 10:00 a.m. on December 11, 2007 at the department's Lewis and Clark State Office Building at 1101 Riverside Drive, Jefferson City, Missouri.

This meeting will be a continuation of the October 30, 2007 meeting. At the October 30 meeting, the department presented background on existing department rules and our plan to split future rulemaking into two separate rulemaking phases. Phase 1 would only include the items that the department must implement in order to be at least as stringent as the federal rules. These are items unaffected by the Waterkeeper Decision. Phase 2 will include the pending changes to the EPA rule and other suggested changes from the group. The department presented to the group a copy of a strawman version of the Phase 1 draft rule and requested comments on the draft rule before the December meeting.

The December 11 meeting will include discussion on comments and revisions to the strawman version of the rule. We intend to place a copy of the revised strawman version of the rule on the CAFO Rule website, shown below, by Friday December 7. We will also discuss future meeting dates and topics. This meeting is open to the public and anyone is welcome to attend. This meeting is being held in addition to the public participation process required for rulemaking. The Missouri Clean Water Commission will conduct a public hearing and accept comments on the draft rule after publication in the *Missouri Register*.

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